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The quality of a fund design is a strong indicator of its likelihood of success.

I am quite interested in knowing how the fund will be allocated to Civil Society Organizations that are promoting sustainable land management practices. In the past, I have seen funds end up in poorly managed government departments or 'briefcase NGO's' who have no results to show at the end of the project. Sometimes projects implemented by Private companies end up benefiting a few individuals.

It will be important to highlight further on the funding mechanism, structure and how good practices will be up-scaled. Every fund has a mandate that spells out which projects it targets and how good practices will be embraced.

Complex funding mechanisms place heavy demands on implementing entities that sometimes have limited capacities. The mismatch between complexity and capacity occurs most frequently in low-income and fragile countries.